

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Public Servants - Revenue Department - Departmental proceedings against Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar, Ballikurava (Retd), Prakasam District - AoCs issued - Inquiry Authority appointed - Enquiry report submitted - Communicated - Explanation submitted - To impose a penalty of "withholding of 10% monthly pension for 5 years" against her - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE - III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.293

Dated:21.03.2023

Read the following:

1. From CCLA's Ref No.VS-III(2)/338/2013, Dated:18.07.2013
2. G.O.Ms.No.579, Revenue (Vig.II) Dept, Dt:30.11.2013
3. G.O.Rt.No.1730, Revenue (Vig.II) Dept, Dt:30.11.2013.
4. G.O Rt. No.1093, Revenue (Vig.III) Department, Dated :12.12.2014.
5. From the Joint Collector, Prakasam District, Rc.A1/2159/2012, Dt:15-09-2021.
6. Memo.No.31580/Vig.III(2)/2013, Revenue (Vig.III) Dept, Dt:29.12.2021.
7. Explanation dt:10.03.2022 of Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar, Ballikurava (M).
8. Memo.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/84/2021-Vig.III(2), Dt:22.11.2022.
9. Explanation dt:20.12.2022 of Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar, Ballikurava, Prakasam (Retd).
10. Letter.No.REV01-LANA0CCLV(DISC)/84/2021-VIG-III(2), Dt:24/01/2023
11. From the Secretary, APPSC, Letter.No.GAD03-APPS0DCC/24/2023-DC.SEC - APPSC (Comp.No.1979302), Dt:09.03.2023

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ORDER:

Whereas, based on the proposal of the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P, in the reference 1st read above, common disciplinary proceedings have been instituted against Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar, Ballikurava (Retd) and Sri T.Venkamaraju, former VRO, Vemavaram, on the allegation of tampering of Revenue Records i.e., the Adangals for the Fasli Years 1413 to 1419 in respect of Sy.No.24 of Vemavaram village of Ballikurava Mandal vide reference 2nd read above. In the reference 3rd read above, the following Article of charges has been issued against Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar, Ballikurava (Retd). The Charged Officer has submitted her written statement of defense denying the charges.

Article of Charge:-1:

Smt Y.Subbalakshmi, while working as Tahsildar, Ballikurava, failed to perform her legitimate duties in preventing Sri T.Venkamaraju, Village Revenue Officer, Vemavaram Village, Ballikurava Mandal in tampering records even though the complainant has brought the irregularities committed by said VRO, to the notice of the Tahsildar, Ballikurava, but has not responded properly.

Thus, Smt. Y.Subbalkshmi, Tahsildar, Ballikurava with her above mentioned act, failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and thereby contravened Rule 3 (1) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Article of Charge :-2:

Smt Y.Subbalaskhmi, while working as Tahsildar, Ballikurava, has of Administratively control over the staff and thus failed to keep the old records in Record Room intact and allowed to tamper the records.

Thus, Smt. Y.Subbalakshmi, Tahsildar, Ballikurava with her above mentioned act, failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and thereby contravened Rule 3 (1) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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Article of Charge :-3:

Smt Y.Subbalakshmi, while working as Tahsildar, Ballikurava, has reported vide Rc.DT/370/2011 dated.21.03.2011 that the explanation given by the delinquent VRO in writing the names of Sanneboyina Kotaiah, Gopaiah and Venkateswarlu is partly acceptable. Her recommendations is not sustainable as per law, as the delinquent VRO himself accepted the fact, that he tampered that writing in adangals for fasli 1414, 1418. The report of the Tahsildar is irregular and seems that she is trying to suppress the facts and somehow or other save wise to the VRO.

Thus, Smt. Y.Subbalkshmi, Tahsildar, Ballikurava with her above mentioned act, misconduct and contravened Rule 3 of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. And whereas, as the explanation of the Charged officer is not convincing, in the reference 4th read above, Government have appointed the Joint Collector, prakasam as Inquiry authority to inquire into the charges framed against the Charged officers. In the reference 5th read above, the Joint Collector, Prakasam district has submitted his report, among others, stating that all the charges framed against the Charged Officer Smt. Y.Subbalkshmi, Tahsildar (Retd) are held proved.

3. And whereas, after examining the findings of the inquiry officer, Govt have accepted the same. Accordingly, a copy of the Inquiry report has been communicated to the Charged officer under rule 21(2) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 to submit her further explanation, if any on the findings of the Inquiry officer, vide reference 6th read above. In reply, Smt.Y.Subbalaxmi has submitted her explanation reiterating earlier contentions and requested to exonerate her from the charges on humanitarian grounds, as she had retired from service on 30.06.2013 and since the pending of this case, all the attendant benefits were held up.

4. And whereas, after careful examination of the matter, Government have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "withholding of 10% monthly pension for 5 years" on Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar (Retd). Accordingly, in the reference 8th read above, a Show Cause Notice has been issued on Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar (Retd) as to why the proposed penalty should not be imposed against her, under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980. In reply, Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar, Ballikurava (now Retd) in his explanation dt:20.12.2022 has submitted her explanation stating that any reduction from her pension will change her fact for running a minimum peaceful life in future, because she is already in debts. Finally she has requested to consider her case sympathetically and exonerate her from the proposed punishment against her.

5. Government, after examining the explanation of the charged officer Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar, Ballikurava (now Retd), have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "withholding of 10% monthly pension for 5 years" on Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar Ballikurava, Prakasam District (Retd), under Rule 9 of A.P.R.P.Rules, 1980. Accordingly, in the reference 10th read above, necessary proposals has been sent to Secretary, APPSC with a request to furnish their concurrence to Government for taking further action in the matter. In the reference 11th read above, the Secretary, APPSC has informed that after careful examination of the proposal in the light of records made available, Commission agreed with the proposal of the Government and advised accordingly.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided and hereby order to impose a penalty of "withholding of 10% monthly pension for 5 years" against Smt.Y.Subbalakshmi, former Tahsildar Ballikurava, Prakasam District (Retd), as the charges are held proved against her, under Rule 9 of A.P.R.P.Rules, 1980.

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7. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri/the Collector & District Magistrate, Prakasam shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G. SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To:

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Collector & District Magistrate, Prakasam District, Ongole.

Copy to:

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Vijayawada,
The Secretary to Commissioner, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi, Amaravati,
The Accountant General, Vijayawada,
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P., Vijayawada
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SECTION OFFICER